## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): <u>A frameFrame</u> for a bicycle trailer with a foldable passenger compartment and a foldable seat arranged therein, comprising at least one bracket element located at <u>athe</u> backside of the frame projecting out towards the front and acting at the height of the shoulder area of the passenger compartment.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): <u>A frameFrame</u> according to claim 1, wherein the bracket element stabilizes a backrest of the seat.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 2, wherein the bracket element pushes out at least one side wall that is stretched over the frame.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 1, wherein the bracket element pushes out at least one side wall that is stretched over the frame.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The frame according to claim 4, wherein at least one part, in particular the front end, of the bracket element protrudes from the area formed by the frame elements for the side wall to be stretched.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 1, wherein the bracket element is shaped like a disc at its front end.

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Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The frame according to claim 1, wherein the bracket element

can be pivoted in an essentially vertical plane substantially transversely to the backside of the frame

and locked in at least one position in order to stabilize the backrest of the seat and/or push out the side

wall.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The frame Frame according to claim 4, wherein the bracket element

can be pivoted in an essentially vertical plane substantially transversely to the backside of the frame

and locked in at least one position in order to stabilize the backrest of the seat and/or push out the side

wall.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The frame Frame according to claim 1, wherein the bracket element is

a bracket, which is connected to the sides of the backrest at two upper anchoring points at least in the

area of its free ends.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The frame according to claim 9, further comprising a strap

attached between the upper anchoring points.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The frame according to claim 9, wherein the backside of the

frame has two parallel side bars and the bracket is wrapped around both side bars, with the free ends

pointing towards the front in the position in which they brace the backrest and/or push the side walls

out.

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Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The frameFrame according to claim 3, wherein the backside of the frame has two parallel side bars and the bracket is wrapped around both side bars, with its free ends pointing towards the front in the position in which they brace the backrest and/or push the side walls out.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 1, wherein the bracket forms the top edge of a bag like storage space.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The frameFrame according to claim 13, wherein the side walls and/or the rear wall consist of at least one fabric panel held between the bracket and the floor of the bicycle trailer.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 13, wherein the bracket element stabilzes a backrest of the seat and the front side of the storage space is formed by the backrest.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 2, further comprising at least one elastic element that counteracts the tensile forces acting on the bracket element when the backrest is being braced.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 16, wherein the elastic element is an elastic strap.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 17, wherein the length of the strap is adjustable.

Claim 19 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 1, further comprising a stop for locking the bracket element.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): Frame according to claim 12, wherein the side bars can be folded around a swivelling axis, and the swivelling axis of the bracket element is aligned with the swivelling axis of the side bars.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The frameFrame according to claim 2, wherein the seat is constructed as a two passenger seat, with a central upper anchoring point being provided at a backrest of the double seat, which is also used for bracing the backrest.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): <u>The frameFrame</u> according to claim 21, wherein the central upper anchoring point is braced via a strap that is connected to an upper part of the frame.

Claim 23 (Currently Amended): <u>The frame</u> according to claim 21, further comprising a partition located between the seats of the two passenger seat, which is connected to the backrest and the seating area of the two-passenger seat.

Claim 24 (New): A frame for a bicycle trailer comprising:

a foldable passenger compartment having a foldable seat arranged therein, and at least one bracket element located at a backside of the frame projecting out towards the front, said at least one bracket acting at the height of the shoulder area of a passenger compartment.